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UZBEK AND ARMENIAN LIGHT INDUSTRY CRITICIZED

UZBEK TRADE-UNION COUNCIL MEETS -- Pravda Vostoka, No 71, 10 Apr 49

The Second Plenum of the Council of Trade Unions, Uzbek SSR, was held in Tashkent on April 6 and 7. Masayrov, Minister of Light Industry Uzbek SSR, said that the Uzbek textile industry exceeded its prewar level of output in 1948, although many plants lowered their production in the last quarter of 1948. Dalimov, chairman of the Republic Committee of Trade Union Workers of the Textile Industry, noted that some enterprises are not fulfilling their production plan.

ARMENIAN LIGHT INDUSTRY LAGS -- Kommunist, No 87, 14 Apr 49

A number of plants and factories of Armenian light industry, although fulfilling the 1948 gross-production plan, failed to produce the planned quantity and assortment of goods. Criticisms of the quality of production of Armenian light industry are entirely deserved. Quality of production in 1948 must be considered inadequate. Labor productivity was low in the Yerevan 1st Sewing Factory, Leninakan 2d Sewing Factory, Leninakan Shoe Factory, Kirovakan Knitting and Weaving Mill, and the Yerevan Potassium Bichromate Plant.

In 1949, 22,400 thousand rubles are assigned for capital investments in Armenian light industry.

LIGHT INDUSTRY TO GET WORKERS -- Moskovskiy Komsomolets, No 52, 26 Apr 49

During 1949, USSR light industry enterprises will get 1,470 young engineers and 5,000 technicians. The engineers will include specialists in spinning, weaving, and shoe manufacturing, as well as mechanical engineers and economists.

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SEWING MACHINE PLANT UNDER CONSTRUCTION -- Izvestiya, No 92, 20 Apr 49

The first sewing-machine plant in Belorussia is being constructed in Orsha. The first sewing machines will be produced on 1 May.

MOSCOW PLANT MAKES GAS RANGES -- Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 98, 27 Apr 49

The Moscow "Gazapparat" Plant is now making gas ranges and other household equipment.

TEXTILE MACHINES EXCEED PREWAR RATE -- Kommunist, No 92, 20 Apr 49

Productivity of machines at the Bol'shaya Ivanovskaya Textile Mill in Leningrad is now above their prewar level. The productivity of a machine rose from 7,270 weft threads per hour in 1940 to 7,417 threads per hour in March 1949. One weaver attained the rate of 8,010 weft threads per hour.

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